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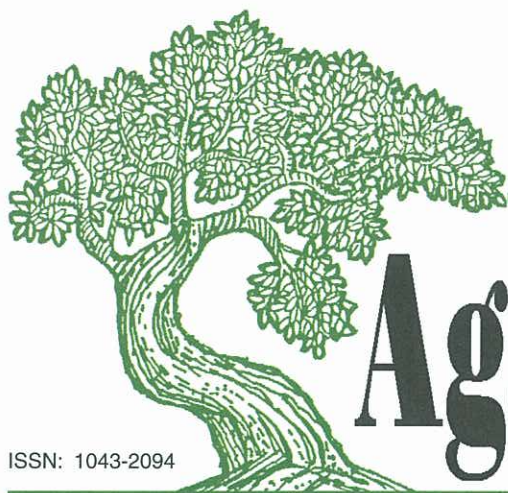
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## ATG Special Report — The Tasini Case

### The Impact of Tasini: Foreword

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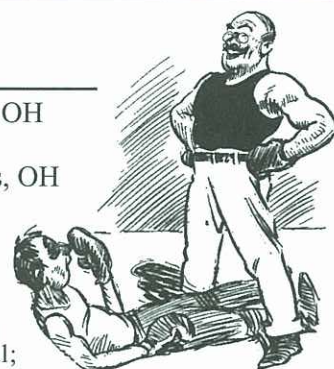
"Content is king," was a mantra of the 1990s but only in the first year of this century did we begin to understand what that means, with the *Tasini et al.* decision. In brief, the court said that absent other factors, such as work-for-hire, content belongs to the creator. But the court also remanded the case back to the Federal District Court to decide remedial issues. For authors, publishers/distributors, and librarians, we have a landmark case that has yet to run its course.

Even in this interim situation, we sought to explore what the case may mean for cre-

ators of content, distributors, and, most importantly from our perspective, users. While it is premature to form firm conclusions, we sought a variety of perspectives on our fundamental question, "what is the impact of *Tasini*?" Those willing to venture "where angels fear to tread" include **Laura Gasaway**, every librarian's favorite guru of copyright from the University of North Carolina; **Prue Adler** and **Miriam M. Nisbet** of ARL and ALA, organizations that combined in submitting an *amicus curiae* to the Supreme Court; **Mike Bradley**, a member of the National Writ-

ers Union and an officer of an NWU local; **Rick Anderson**, Director of Resource Acquisition at the University of Nevada Reno Library, with a sympathetic yet cynical librarian's view as one who will be dealing with fallout from the case for years to come; and **Ward Shaw**, who found

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### If Rumors Were Horses

I begin with an apology. The *Against the Grain* renewal invoice which went out this year (and last, so I have to double apologize) said: "We are concerned that you had a subscription to *Against the Grain* last year and have yet to renew for 2002. Was this an oversight?" This implies that you had already received one invoice and this was your second. That was not the case. Mea culpa. Sometimes here at *ATG World Headquarters* the help runs amok. That's my story and I'm sticking to it. Sorry. Sorry. Sorry.

Another apology. **Michael Young** <youngm@albany.edu> writes that in his haste to get out the piece about the **Charleston Conference** for January 2002 *ATG*, he overlooked an error, viz., he described NERL as the "New England Research Libraries consortium" when in fact it is the **Northeast Research Libraries consortium**. When your

slack editor didn't fix this, **Ann Okerson** called us on it! Whew! Thanks, Ann!

I remember when I first moved to Charleston, a **Citadel** group of women had a murder mystery night which was great fun. Well, a few weeks ago, **Barbara** and **Norm Desmarais** <normd@providence.edu> went to a murder mystery at the library! The other week, there was an article about it "Who Done It?" in the *Providence Journal* (Providence, R.I.) (Blackstone Valley Edition), Jan 31, 2002 by **Patricia A. Russell** with a picture of Norm and other participants on the front page of the local news section. **Melanie Zanella** (electronic resource librarian at the **Lincoln Public Library**)



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# From your (number-crunching) editor:

I'll admit it here. I largely hate this time of year. I hate it because of income taxes, end of the holidays and beginning-of-the-year bills which get larger each year. Then right in the middle of running for **ALA President**, my LTA for accounting quit so I've been doing his full-time job on top of everything else. What to do? Well it's obvious.

I threw myself into what I love best — you guessed it — editing the February issue of *Against the Grain*. This issue is guest-edited by the tireless and astute **Kent Mulliner** and contains some really important papers by **Pru Adler**, **Miriam Nisbet**, **Rick Anderson**, **Mike Bradley**, **Lolly**

**Gasaway** and **Ward Shaw**, regarding the **Tasini** Supreme Court decision. **Karen Hunter** also updates us on her continuing series of yearly articles about the state of the industry: **Surviving Another Year**. We have some new contributions by **Daryl Rayner** who has sent us **Rumours** (not a typo, just bowing to Brit-spell here) from **Paddington** plus an interview with **Richard Charkin** of

**Macmillan**. We have an interview with **Mike Eisenberg**, **Dean of the Information School, U. of Washington** by **Lisa Spagnolo** plus a response re **Tasini** from **LexisNexis Corporate Counsel**, a profile of **Scientist Professor Lali Chatterjee**. Of course, there is much, much more! Meanwhile, reality calls! I have to go and pay more bills. At least Spring isn't far away. **Yr. Ed.** 



## Letters to the Editor

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### Dear Editor:

**Norman Desmarais** (*Against the Grain*, v.13#6, Dec 01-Jan 02) raised some interesting questions about the allocation of spending for collection development. Unfortunately, his use of **Allen Kent's** "landmark study of library operations" casts a shadow over the formulas that he contemplates.

Kent argued for reducing collection development expenditures. He used circulation figures as the sole evidence of use of books and a very brief reading room observation to judge use of journals. The report was discredited by library researchers and publicly repudiated by the Pitt faculty senate. **Melvin Voigt** of the **University of California** commented, "It seems so obvious that use of any multimillion-volume research library ... can be meaningfully studied only by concentrating on that research use, not on statistics hopelessly distorted by the intensive use of relatively few volumes by undergraduates." The Pitts-

burgh study stands more as an eyesore than a landmark.

Circulation figures tell only about circulation. Many researchers (myself included) have used huge numbers of books inside libraries without ever checking one out. A fair study of library use will dwell in the stacks and reading rooms to record behavior demonstrated by patrons' activities. There is an urgent need for such research, particularly if it can connect with the consequences of use to estimate the productivity of libraries in eliminating wasteful errors, insularities, and duplications in research and education. The aim of library research in these worst of times should be to justify parity of library spending with R&D and education — not to waste energy competing for control of crumbs falling from the misers' table.

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played the dead body! Norm says that Barbara was a little annoyed at the article because it mentioned at the end that her character operated a brothel. Oops! But, you know what? I guess that's showbiz!

And, besides being in mysteries, **Norm** and **Barbara** are going to Paris for spring break in April. Lovely daughter, **Denise**, is studying in Paris this semester. Doesn't sound half bad to me. How about a French mystery?

Last **Norm Rumor**! Read all about it in **Albert Henderson's** letter to the editor in this issue (p.6). **Norm** says he'll let Albert's comments re his paper (did you read it? "In Search of Equitable Fund Distribution," Dec/Jan *ATG*, v.13#6, pp. 83-86) stand without comment. He says he

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SLA, MLA	April 2002	02/06/02	02/27/02
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Reference Publishing	Sept. 2002	07/10/02	07/31/02
Charleston Conference	Nov. 2002	08/21/02	09/11/02
ALA Midwinter	Dec. 02/Jan. 03	11/13/02	12/04/02



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wanted to point out that circulation alone shouldn't play the major role in funding.

**Paul Orkiszewski** begins at **Appalachian State University** March 4th as **Acquisitions Coordinator**. This means **Eleanor Cook** <cookei@conrad.appstate.edu> gets to be **JUST Serials Coordinator** again after two years (that's besides editing **ACQNET** and being vice-president-president-elect of **NASIG**). Paul was Music Librarian and also Coordinator of Collection Development at **Rice University** for a number of years.

Speaking of **NASIG (North American Serials Interest Group)** [www.nasig.org](http://www.nasig.org), the President is **Maggie Rioux** (Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution), Past President is **Connie Foster** (Western Kentucky University), Secretary: **Margaret Mering** (University of Nebraska, Lincoln) and Treasurer: **Denise Novak** (Carnegie Mellon University). Talk about a bam-zowie group of women!

And speaking of **ACQNET**, the incredible **Deborah Duke** <dduke@fortworthlibrary.org> and the awesome **Lisa German** (University of IL Champaign-Urbana) are in training to become assistant **ACQNET-L** editors. Also, **ACQNET** welcomes the incredibly energetic **Thelma Diercks** <thelma@hawaii.edu> (University of Hawaii) as a new Editorial Board member.

I have heard via the GV (grapevine) that the energetic **Heidi Hoermann**, who is tech services professor at **College of Library and Information Science at University of South Carolina**, was at **ALA** in New Orleans. Her car got a real "owie" when it was broadsided by an SUVed woman doing an illegal U turn. The accident occurred on **Melvil Dewey Road** in Metairie, Louisiana. (As **Dave Barry** would say, I am not making this up!). So, **Bob Molyneux** <drdata@molyneux.com> quips that Heidi probably would have been better off going two blocks and turning at **Ranganathan Drive**. Anyway, mother and car are doing fine!

Moving right along, the scrumptious **Marla Whitney** has moved from **divine/Faxon** to **OCLC**.

The often-described-as-hard-hitting-yet-svelte **John Perry Smith** <JPS@TotalInformation.com> was seen at **ALA** in New Orleans holding forth re his **Prelapsarian Library Society**. He says he just needs more venture capital.

And, what can I say. Amid the countless meetings that I had to attend and talk at in New Orleans (see this issue's **Op Ed**, p.38), I was forced to leave the aforementioned **John Smith** nursing his scotch (was it scotch, John?) while I stood him up (aided and abetted by **Sandy Paul** <Sandy@skpassociates.com> my cam-

paign manager, no less) so that I could be at a meeting "on time." My Greek parents (who have a history of always being tardy — that's where I get it from) would be mortified!

According to our friends at **Everetts** in the UK, **Bob Schatz** <everbob@yahoo.com> has been up to a lot more than traveling all over North America on company business and hosting the **Weakest Link** panel at the **Charleston Conference**. Bob was recently appointed to the Board of Advisors of the Portland chapter of **First Book**, a non-profit that raises and distributes grant money to agencies to provide new books to young, economically disadvantaged children who have never before owned a book. On top of that, readers of the newly published **Jump Start Your Career in Library and Information Science** (**Priscilla Shontz**, Scarecrow Press, 2002) will find numerous bits of career advice from Bob scattered throughout the book. And if that wasn't enough, Bob will also be giving two **Effective Writing in the Workplace** workshops during this summer's **NASIG** conference at the **College of William & Mary**. Wow, is this guy busy, or what!?

There are some changes at the **Spartanburg (SC) County Public Library**. The awesome **Patricia M. Brown** <patmb@SPART.SPT.LIB.SC.US> will no longer be the Government Documents Librarian but the Coordinator of Collection Development. **Jayne Moorman**, who joined the staff in September, is now Government Documents Librarian. Pat has enjoyed the rather short tenure and looks forward to new challenges!

What you don't learn when you listen! I had no idea that there were two people named **Jim Morris** and **Jim Morrison**. I thought someone was trying to trick me. BUT, it is true! There is a **Jim Morrison** <jim.morrison@il.proquest.com> and a **Jim Morris** <jim.morris@il.proquest.com> and they are alive and well and working for **UMI/Proquest/Bell & Howell Information and Learning**! Had a visit with **Jim Morris** just yesterday and learned three salient things (I was listening!). First, Jim and **Lia Hemphill** (Head, Collection Development, Nova University) <lia@nova.edu> are good friends. Second, Jim did NOT make it to Charleston to hear Lia's paper last year even though he told Lia he would (shame on him!), and third, Lia and Jim, as well as **Shirley Jeffries** (Head of Monographic Ordering, College of Charleston Libraries) <jeffriess@cofc.edu> and yours truly, love chicken livers! These are the

tiny tidbits that you read **Rumors** for, right?

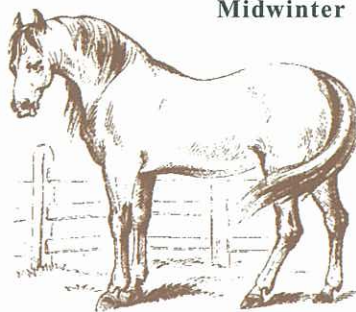
Speaking of food, had some great eating experiences in New Orleans! And just the other day, the truly wonderful **Debbie Humphrey** (also of **ProQuest** <debbie.humphreys@il.proquest.com> was telling me that she had her very first raw oyster in New Orleans (at **Pascal Manolis**, hope I spelled that right) twenty-eight years ago. **ALA**, thanks for the memories!

Got a **Happy New Year** email from among-lots-of-things-she-speaks-French-fluently-and-Conspectus-eze-too **Dora Biblarz** <biblarz@asu.edu> who says she is enjoying retirement but it sure keeps her busy! In her spare time she is working on the history of the **Richard Abel Company** and hopes to have a manuscript this year!

More from **Dora** who sends word of a **Midwinter report** written by **Don Chvatal**. Dated January 2002, this year's report "shows the developing integration of library processes and the Internet." Don's report is in six sections covering the **RMG (Rob McGee)** seminar; updates on vendors' search offerings (three sections) and a end piece on cataloging and virtual reference services. Check it out at [www.biblio-tech.com](http://www.biblio-tech.com).

**divine, inc.**, (Nasdaq: DVIN) has acquired certain assets of privately held **Northern Light® Technology LLC**, a provider of search and content integration solutions, in an all-stock transaction. The acquisition of **Northern Light's** content services, enterprise search technology, and e-commerce transaction engine enhance **divine's** comprehensive integrated content, collaboration and knowledge solutions for academic institutions and corporations. **Northern Light Technology** products include **Special Collection®**, an online business research library of over 70 million pages of fulltext documents; **SinglePoint® Custom Content Integration** service; **RivalEye**, a customized competitive intelligence solution; and the **Northern Light Enterprise Search Engine®**, which features its patented classification technology and customizable 17,000-term taxonomy. The acquisition of **Northern Light** strengthens **divine's** content management and delivery solutions for the information industry by expanding the number of sources it can offer and by providing a dramatically improved interface for locating specific content. **divine** intends to integrate **Northern Light's** global search technology across its content management, content aggregation and acquisition, client interaction and collaboration solutions.

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energetic **Chrissy Booth** <chrissybooth@yahoo.com> was seven months pregnant and shlepping around New Orleans anyway. Even with a broken suitcase! I would have had a nervous breakdown, but Chrissy just coped! I guess that's why she's such a great fund-raiser for **USC CLIS!**

**Ehud Arad** <carl@exlibris-usa.com> **President of Ex Libris Ltd.**, (Israel) is stepping down. Mr. Arad was a founder of the company, and 2001 was a year in which **Ex Libris** made substantial worldwide achievements. Mr. Arad will continue as a shareholder and will continue to support the management team. **Ex Libris**, developer of high-performance applications for libraries, information centers, and researchers, has offices around the world, and **ALEPH**, their integrated library solution, has been installed at over 700 sites in 48 countries. Other **Ex Libris** software products include **MetaLib**, an information portal for library collections that provides libraries, institutions, and consortia with a standardized user interface; **SFX**, a context-sensitive reference linking solution that provides a one-stop reference system for heterogeneous electronic resources in the scholarly information environment; **DigiTool**, a solution for building digital collections as components of an overall digital strategy <http://www.exlibris-usa.com>.

Jeez! It's been as high as **80 degrees** in Charleston this winter! Meanwhile, I know that a lot of you have the opposite kind of weather! *Tant pis*, as the French say! Anyway, I got word from the warmly-dressed **Tina Creguer** <pr@il.proquest.com> that southeastern Michigan was in the midst of an ice storm and then I talked to **Edna Laughrey** (ads manager of **ATG**) <elaughrey@aol.com> just as the snow truck was coming to clear 8 inches of snow off her driveway in Saline, Michigan! You can't always get what you want, weather-wise, can you? The grass is always greener, or is it whiter?

Heard from the marvelous **Margaret Landesman** (Head, Collection Development, **University of Utah**) <mlandesm@library.utah.edu> who wrote to say that **The Olympics** are "kind of a major presence" in hers and her husband's lives just now so she wouldn't send in a **Sense and Sensibility** this month. Just like all of us watching it all on TV, except **Margaret** is right there! (I keep hoping to catch a glimpse...) And, she's been at several of the "outdoor events." Back when it was warmer, she said it seemed like an OK idea. Brrr ...

Anyway, **Tina C.** (above) sends word of **ProQuest Company's** (NYSE: PQE) Information and Learning unit's acquisition of **Micromedia Limited**. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed. Founded in 1972 and headquartered in Toronto, **Micromedia** licenses information from

media, government, and other sources, creates abstracts, and delivers the information via the Internet, CD-ROM, microform, and print media. "**Micromedia** is an ideal complement to **ProQuest**, and we are pleased to bring together our content and resources," said **Joe Reynolds**, president and chief executive officer of **ProQuest Information and Learning**. "This new relationship also allows possibilities for greater distribution." **Micromedia** products include: reference materials-news, periodicals, and government information appearing in such databases as **CBCA** and **CRI/Microlog**; corporate information-financial and securities information, including such products as **CanCorp(tm) Financials**; and directories-comprehensive listings of targeted topical and market segments for corporate, education, libraries, and government users. [www.proquestcompany.com](http://www.proquestcompany.com) [www.micromedia.on.ca/](http://www.micromedia.on.ca/).

More. **ProQuest Company's** (NYSE: PQE) **Information and Learning** unit and **Safari Books Online, LLC** have also recently announced an agreement that will grant **ProQuest** exclusive distribution rights of **SafariTech Books Online** to academic, public, and K-12 libraries and non-exclusive rights for government libraries. The **Safari Tech Books Online** library edition, currently under development by **ProQuest** and **Safari**, is scheduled for release later this month. The Web-based service allows library patrons to conduct online searches of more than 20 technical categories from Networking to Java to Microsoft's .Net. <pr@il.proquest.com>.

The bam-zowie **Daryl Rayner** <daryl.rayner@xrefer.com> has contributed LOTS to this issue of **ATG**. Did you read **Tom Gilson's** <gilsont@cofc.edu> interview with her in the September issue of **ATG**? Anyway, besides, **Rumours from Paddington** (see this issue, p.12), she has interviewed **Richard Charkin**, CEO **Macmillan Publishers** in this issue. p.40. And this isn't all that Daryl's been doing, no siree! It's been a hectic time in merrie old England: the Online show, launching **xreferplus**, the reference service for libraries. And, Daryl writes that just last week the Queen was seen getting on an ordinary passenger train on Platform One (where the **xreferplus** offices are...) (Clearly, the Queen had heard about **xreferplus**...)

Sadly, **Tom Gilson's** mother died in February in Colorado, and he and his lovely wife **Carol** were gone for several weeks settling her estate and grieving with family members. Our sympathies go to them and thanks to Tom who still turned in his **From the Reference Desk** this month.

The incredible **Marcia Tuttle** — she's not a person, she's an institution — sent out a notice that the **Newsletter on Serials**

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**Pricing Issues** has ceased publication with issue number 257 on August 12, 2001. I am reproducing her letter here as it contains not only reminiscences of times past, but a discussion of the future. Says Marcia, "From its beginning on February 27, 1989 (as an **ALA Resources and Technical Services Division** publication) through the final issue, the pricing newsletter has been a delight for me, the most fun I ever had as a librarian. But times have changed. The newsletter was one of the earliest — if not the earliest — library-related electronic publications. In 1989, **BITNET**, **Datalinx** and **ALANET** were state-of-the-art systems, and the pricing newsletter published through them all. The World Wide Web made our job much easier and enabled us to provide an archive of all the issues. Four and a half years ago I retired as a serials librarian, and three years ago I taught my last serials librarianship course. That's a long time to be away from the day-to-day serials world. **Jim Mouw** has been wonderful as a permanent 'guest editor,' but he is a very busy man, and the pricing newsletter is very much my baby. No one else can be expected to be as emotionally involved as I have been! Jim, the editorial board, and I have contemplated the advisability of trying to continue the newsletter, even of selling it to a commercial publisher. However, it seems that the best course of action is to cease publication. As technology matured, so did the means of distributing news about serial pricing; we were not the only game in town. Also, the pricing issue itself evolved from simply concern about subscription rates to include other matters such as licensing of online journals. As people's interests moved from issues related directly to pricing, new forums developed to address those issues. Many of these new forums employ listserv technology, allowing for immediate posting and feedback. We considered moving the newsletter to this technology, but it became apparent that adequate channels already existed, and we decided not to reinvent the wheel. The time for a periodic newsletter addressing issues of immediate concern has passed. My sincere thanks to all the editorial board members: **Deana Astle**, **Mary Beth Clack**, **Jerry Curtis**, **Chuck Hamaker**, and **Bob Houbeck** — the original members; and **Keith**

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The Online Information conference and exhibition took place at the beginning of December in Olympia, London. It was the event's Silver Jubilee. Strange to think that the first event took place before the Internet was a household word and before the PC revolutionised desktop access to computing. **Learned Information** did a great job organising a lively and interesting few days. The product presentations, running concurrently to the exhibition were jam-packed. Speakers included **Jenny Walker** from **Ex-Libris**, **Amanda Spiteri** from **ScienceDirect**, **Simon Jennings** from the **Resource Network Centre**, **Kings College**, **Tim Owen** from the **Library Association** and **Tim Ingoldsby** from the **American Institute of Physics**. **Gary Price** (ex George Washington Library) and **Greg Notess** (Montana State University) the tireless pair of librarians-come-Web-search-Gurus were both involved in the information master classes and keynote seminars.

**BioMedCentral**, the publishing company committed to a policy of free access to scientific research has announced that it will introduce a processing charge for articles published in its online journals starting January 1st 2002. I guess it is hard to sustain a completely free model ad infinitum.

**BioMedCentral** has also announced that it will be collaborating with *The Scientist* to produce "the most widely distributed life science magazine in the world." The serial-entrepreneur, **Vitek Tracz** Chairman of the **Current Science Group**, the company behind **BioMedCentral**, is said to be delighted about the prospects of this partnership.

The **JISC**-funded six month project **INSPIRAL** is now finished and a full report available at <http://inspiral.cdlr.strath.ac.uk>. The project's remit was to identify and critically analyse the issues that surround linking virtual learning environments (VLE's) and digital libraries. The focus was on the institutional and end-user perspectives. The dynamic **Sarah Currier** **INSPIRAL** research Fellow at the **University of Strathclyde** and her Research assistant, **Sharron Brown**, worked non-stop for the past six months holding focus groups, conducting online research and generally wading through the issues this new and exciting area has brought to the surface. Their analysis is to provide **JISC** (the **Joint Information Services Committee**) with priority areas for strategic planning and investment.

London has been gripped by "*The Lord of the Rings*" mania (the film was released on Dec 19th) following the recent "*Harry Potter*" hysteria. **The British Library** satisfied appetites for anything related to the famous books by run-

ning a Tolkien exhibition until the end of January. The exhibition displayed a trove of Rings memorabilia including the first illustrated edition of J.R.R Tolkien's "*The Lord of the Rings*" trilogy and rare first edition copies of "*The Hobbit*" as well as letters and notes from the author to his grandson.


**The British Library** have also announced that they have completed stage one of their project to put online the 1.5 million **Union Catalogue of Books records**, listing stock held by the **British Library's Document Supply Centre**. This means that the DSC's pre 1950 records, 450,000 in total, are now available on the **British Library Public Catalogue** and can be searched via the Library's Website.

The host for the 2002 **UKAIS** conference is the **School of Information Management, Leeds Metropolitan University**. This conference is the premiere event in the Information Systems calendar within the UK and attracts leading academics and researchers from the UK and overseas. There is a call for papers via the Website <http://www.lmu.ac.uk/ies/ukais/callpapers.htm>.

**Chris Martindale**, Subject Advisor **Derbyshire Business School** and **UC&R Committee** member organised a stimulating afternoon discussing **eBooks and their future** at the **University of Derbyshire** at the end of November. Speakers included **Louise Edwards** Head of Management Information Resource Centre, **Cranfield School of Management** and member of **JISC eBooks Working Group** and **Penny Garrod**, **Public Library Networking Focus UKOLN - UK Office for Library and Information Networking**.

**The Library Association** in London also held a seminar on eBooks and publishing recently attended by 50 librarians from throughout the UK keen to learn about the latest developments. **Louise Edwards** from **JISC** was speaking again (she must be exhausted!) as was **Suzanne Wilson-Higgins**, Commercial Director, **Lightning Source Ltd**, **Christine-Love Rodgers** Assistant Librarian Learner Support, **Open University** and the omnipresent **Anthony Watkinson**, Consultant, Visiting Professor in Information Science, **City University**.

And finally, the news from **xrefer** on platform One, Paddington Station is that we have now released **xreferplus** (Dec 7th) and are welcoming our first flurry of libraries as subscribers.

We also welcomed the Queen in the station a couple of weeks ago. Quite unexpectedly she arrived in Paddington to take a normal passenger train to Wiltshire. Mind you, she was traveling first class! 



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Courtney, Fred Friend, Birdie MacLennan, Mike Markwith, Jim Mouw, David Stern, Heather Steele, and Scott Wicks — the second generation of board members. Special thanks go to those who have helped me technically at the **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**, particularly **Paul Jones** and **David Romani**. And also to two scholars in France who have provided — and will continue to provide — a searchable Website for the newsletter archive: **Laurent Guillope** at Nantes and **Monique Marchand** at Grenoble. The address for that searchable site is: [http://www-mathdoc.ujf-grenoble.fr/NSPI/NSPI.html](http://www.mathdoc.ujf-grenoble.fr/NSPI/NSPI.html). The **UNC-CH library server** will also continue to provide an archive of the newsletter at <http://www.lib.unc.edu/prices/>. Equally sincere and special thanks go to all of you who have read the pricing newsletter, who have contributed to the topic, and who have encouraged, claimed, berated, and generally made the newsletter the success it has been for so many years. I'll miss you!" <http://sspnnet.org/public/news/details.cfm?id=100>.

**Marcia**, we will miss you too, but, you know what? I have been getting a TON of emails from **Serialst** — all from **Marcia**

— so, she definitely hasn't retired! **Marcia** has done an incredible service to the profession. Thank you, **Marcia**, for all you have done! We love you!

**R2 Consulting** has contracted with **Common Ground Publishing** of Australia for North American distribution of five titles related to electronic publishing. The titles are: *C-2-C: Creator to Consumer in a Digital Age*; *Print and Electronic Text Convergence*; *Digital Rights Management and Content Development*; *Digital Book Production & Supply Chain Management*; and *Multilingual Book Production*. These

titles were produced using the very digital printing techniques they describe, and are essential reading for publishers and librarians. For more information, visit [www.ebookmap.net/pbooksonebooks.htm](http://www.ebookmap.net/pbooksonebooks.htm).

**Bernie Sloan** <bernies@uillinois.edu> on **liblicense** tells us — According to the *Houston Chronicle*: "Another round of layoffs at online library and academic research firm **Questia Media** has reduced the company to a skeleton crew of about 28 workers, just enough to maintain its Website." For more info, go to: <http://www.chron.com/cs/CDA/story.htm/headline/tech/1220472>.

**John Cox** <John.E.Cox@btinternet.com> is delighted to announce that **Laura Cox** has joined **John Cox Associates** as of 28 January. Laura is 25 and a graduate of the **University of Derby**. She has worked in sales, in IT recruitment, and in marketing with **Taylor & Francis**. She will add a valuable research, market intelligence and marketing capability to the range of services the firm can offer. And, John has a new telephone number, so write it down: +44 (0) 1327 860949.

Guess what? **Becky** the wonderful **Lenzini** <rlenzini@horus.coalliance.org> has done a short write-up on the proposed closing of the **State Library of Washington** for **InfoToday NewsBreaks**. <http://>

[www.infotoday.com/newsbreaks/nb020211-1.htm](http://www.infotoday.com/newsbreaks/nb020211-1.htm).

Word has it that **Dan Greenstein** is taking over at the **California Digital Library**.

The **Copyright Society of the U.S.A.** is launching **Copyright Awareness Week** in April 2002. The mission of Copyright Awareness Week is to create a greater awareness among the youth of America about the protection and use of creative works. <http://www.law.duke.edu/copyright/html/events/CAW2002.html>.

This is from the **Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF)** — [http://www.eff.org/IP/DeCSS\\_prosecutions/Johansen\\_DeCSS\\_case/](http://www.eff.org/IP/DeCSS_prosecutions/Johansen_DeCSS_case/). A trial date of June 3, 2002, has been set for Norwegian teenager **Jon Johansen**'s criminal trial for developing **DeCSS**, software that can encrypt DVDs. The case will be heard by a three-judge panel of the **Oslo City Court** and is expected to last approximately six days.

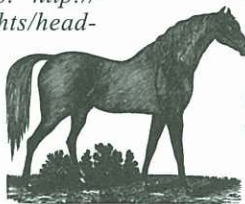
More from the **EFF** — The **Electronic Frontier Foundation** has filed an *amicus* brief in federal district court asking that the **Digital Millenium Copyright Act (DMCA)** be found unconstitutional because it impinges on protected speech and stifles technological innovation. The case arises from the criminal prosecution of Russian programmer **Dmitry Sklyarov** and **Elcomsoft**, the Moscow-based company where he works. The **Computing Law and Technology** and **U.S. Public Policy Committees of the Association for Computing Machinery**, the **American Association of Law Libraries**, the **Electronic Privacy Information Center**, the **Consumer Project on Technology**, **Computer Professionals for Social Responsibility**, and the **Music Library Association** signed on to the **EFF** brief that, along with a brief from 35 law professors, supports **Elcomsoft**'s own motions to dismiss the case. [http://www.eff.org/Cases/US\\_v\\_Sklyarov/20020204\\_eff\\_elcom\\_pr.html](http://www.eff.org/Cases/US_v_Sklyarov/20020204_eff_elcom_pr.html).

And from **Wired News**, Feb. 11, 2002 — <http://www.wired.com/news/business/0,1367,50356,00.html?tw=wn20020214> — "**Judge Dubious About Link Patent**" by **Michelle Delio** — "British Telecom is less than cheery

over a small setback in the company's attempt to collect cash for the 'unauthorized' use of hyperlinks. The British telephone company had set out to prove in a U.S. federal court...[a few weeks ago]...that the company developed and holds a patent to the hyperlink technology used to whisk Web users from one site to another."

Did you attend **The Charleston Advisor's** program — On the Road to Full Text - Linking to the Source — on explor-

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ing developments in linking between electronic journals during **ALA Midwinter?** **James Mouw** (U. of Chicago) <mouw@midway.uchicago.edu>, **Jenny Walker** (ExLibris) and **Amy Brand**, (CrossRef) spoke to a packed house.

**The Acquisitions Institute at Timberline Lodge** will take place Saturday, May 18, through Tuesday, May 21, 2002 at Timberline Lodge, one hour east of Portland, Oregon on the slope of Mt. Hood! See the preliminary program <http://libweb.uoregon.edu/acqdept/institute/preliminary.html>. The splendid **Dr. Richard Hume Werking** (U.S. Naval Academy) will give the keynote address. Other speakers will include **Matt Nauman** (Blackwell's Book Services), **Robert Rooney** (Taylor & Francis), **Adam Chesler** (Kluwer Academic Publishers), **Peggy Cooper** (Boise State University), **Marita Kunkle** (Oregon Institute of Technology), **Faye Chadwell** (University of Oregon), **Sandy Campbell** (University of Alberta). Whew! And this isn't everyone. Check it out or for more information contact: **Richard Brumley** <richard.brumley@orst.edu> (Oregon State University Libraries).

Heard from **Rao Aluri** (Parkway Publishers) <parkwaypub@hotmail.com> who raved about the wonderful time he and his wife, **Mary Reichel** (Appalachian State University and President, ACRL) had in Charleston in November 2001. Mary, you'll recall, was our Friday keynote. Anyway, Mary and Rao even came back to Charleston after the Conference for a visit after Christmas and brought their son, **Krishna**, and his friend, **John Taylor**. They all spent a couple of days being tourists and even went on a ghost tour!

Did you know that January 31 is the incredibly energetic **Marietta Plank's** birthday? I just found that out!

And the awesome **Clifford Lynch** (**Coalition for Networked Information**) (he NEVER speaks from even one note) will keynote the **E-content 2002 conference**, London 10th April. His talk will be titled: *Dreams and Realities*. The program is located at <http://litc.sbu.ac.uk/econtent/>. More is at [http://www.firstmonday.dk/issues/issue6\\_6/lynch/index.html](http://www.firstmonday.dk/issues/issue6_6/lynch/index.html).

Was corresponding with **Lolly Gasaway** <laura\_gasaway@UNC.edu> in February and noticed that she was writing from **DePaul** instead of **UNC-Chapel Hill**. She tells me she's doing what law faculty call "visiting." She is teaching cyberlaw at **DePaul** this semester and is on leave from UNC. She says it's great fun — no committees, administrative work, etc. (it's the etc. that will get you every time!).

The sale of **netLibrary** assets to **OCLC** was finalized at 5 p.m. Jan. 24 in Boulder, Colorado. The sale includes both the **eBook Division**, which will become a division of **OCLC**, and the **MetaText eTextbook Division**, which will become a for-profit subsidiary. The **MetaText Division** of **netLibrary** creates, hosts and manages Web-based digital textbooks for leading textbook publishers. **MetaText digital textbooks** provide instructors and students with a full range of interactive teaching, collaborating and learning tools. <http://www.oclc.org/oclc/press/20020128.shtm>.

This is from **Ineke Middeldorp** <middeldorp@nijhoff.nl>. "I am sad to have to confirm the fact that **Carmen Garcia Moreno** has passed away. Visiting the **Estaeva Servicios Bibliotecarios** booth during **ALA** in New Orleans, friends and colleagues of **Carmen Garcia Moreno**, were informed by Carmen's son **Pedro**, that she could not attend **ALA** due to serious illness. Although **Pedro** had tried to prepare all of us, we were still in denial and shocked at best, when we heard of her death shortly after **ALA**. **Carmen Garcia Moreno**, formerly of **Puvill Libros**, and since a couple of years running her own agency with her son **Pedro**, will be sadly missed. We will always remember her as the kind and gentle lady with the ever ready smile and positive attitude. **Carmen**, it will never be the same without you."

The hard-working **Kent Mulliner** <mulliner@ohiou.edu>, as you have no doubt already noticed, did a fantastic job of editing this issues papers on **The Tasini Case**. This is one of the biggest cases to ever come out of the **Supreme Court** as far as the library world is concerned. Be sure and read all the articles!

Speaking of reading, have you read the analysis of the "E-Choice" option regarding **IDEAL** journals and **ScienceDirect**? **Kimberly Douglas** and **Dana Roth** of Caltech and **David Goodman** <dgoodman@phoenix.Princeton.edu> of Princeton have done a great job of laying out many of the issues. "E-Choice option for Elsevier's **ScienceDirect**" by **Kimberly Douglas**, **Dana Roth** (Caltech Library System) and **David Goodman** (Princeton University Library) February 2002 — It's on the **SPARC** Website: <http://www.arl.org/sparc/core/index.asp?page=f53>.

There is an article worth reading in the **Chronicle of Higher Education** for Wednesday, January 23, 2002 — "Consortium of 12 Universities Begins Project to Deliver Academic E-Books" by **Jeffrey R. Young**. This is about the CIC and university press initiative at the **Big Ten Universities** and the **U. of Chicago** that we told you about last month in **Rumors**, p.10. <http://chronicle.com/free/2002/01/2002012301t.htm>.

Everybody was talking about it in New Orleans! **Gale** and **Ingenta** are joining forces to create a new service that will allow researchers and librarians to use a single search to access online journals held by both companies. The partnership may create what the companies believe to be the world's most complete online, fulltext journal service. **Ingenta's** more than 5,400 scholarly and academic electronic journals will be integrated within **Gale's InfoTrac**, which is in use in more than 100 countries and is best known for its simple, intuitive search interface and rich array of services, including the availability of usage statistics, catalog links, reliable subject guides and **InfoMarks**, a persistent URL that allows researchers to save searches. The new service will begin with **InfoTrac OneFile** and **Expanded Academic** this summer and will later expand to **Gale's Resource Centers**. Total periodical counts depend on the number of subscriptions the library holds. However, a pay-per-view option will also allow users to buy individual digitized articles when the library doesn't hold a subscription. The new service will also be available remotely. **InfoTrac OneFile** and **InfoTrac Expanded Academic** with the new service option will launch within six months, but **Ingenta** and **Gale** officials note that current subscribers can activate a link immediately. Registration is free and available at [www.ingenta.com](http://www.ingenta.com).

This is from **Ann Okerson** <ann.okerson@yale.edu> and the moderators of **Liblicense**. (How did we do without them?) Re: **Blackwell Publishers**: will the family sell or not? <http://www.library.yale.edu/~llicense/ListArchives/0201/msg00047.html>. What's going to happen? This is obviously important for those libraries which license content from this publisher.

Well, this **Rumor** surfaced in early January and **Ann Okerson** <ann.okerson@yale.edu> noted it as the "press rumor du jour" on **liblicense** on 8 January, 2002. From the **Bookseller** "Reed back in for **Wolters Kluwer**" — "The merger between STM giants **Reed Elsevier** and **Wolters Kluwer** that fell through in 1998 is back on, according to the **Observer**. The two groups are expected to merge by the end of the year, investment bankers say. A marriage would produce one of the largest publishing groups in the world, with a market value of £17bn. Neither group was prepared to comment for the article, but the piece says that bankers believe **Crispin Davis**, chief executive of **Reed Elsevier**, is prepared to make an approach to **Wolters Kluwer** once he has bedded down last year's £3.2bn acquisition of publisher **Harcourt**." <http://www.observer.co.uk/business/story/0,6903,628089,00.html>.

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was standing there in that situation. My particular gripe, especially with the heightened security nationwide, was that the door remained open for almost five minutes, and anybody who would want to hijack the plane or create any problems on board, could have done so at that point. Fortunately, there were no terrorists or insecure people on the flight to disrupt **Jet Blue Flight 79** non-stop to New Orleans. I do know that a number of other people observed the door open, maybe not for the approximately five minutes that I noticed it, but certainly it was a breach of security that should not occur, especially with the \$10,000 investment for this unique security measure. I personally think that the cockpit doors should remain closed at all times and perhaps even install a lavatory in the cockpit itself. I have always enjoyed flying, both for business and pleasure, and will continue to do so in the future, however, with a deeper sense of who is around me on the plane and the conditions in the cabin during the flight. Needless to say, a few winks of sleep were out of the question as I did want to be aware of the situation around me at all times. That flight was prior to air marshalls being installed on almost every flight for added security, however, it made me more alert for that flight and future flights. I do believe that any breaches of security, such as this incident on **Jet Blue**, should be reported to the airlines so that they could be more diligent in their efforts to protect us passengers in our travels and stop any potential events before they happen. What about the rest of you? I would like to hear about your travels, and not just the vendors and publishers, but also the librarians who travel to different seminars and meetings and board obligations you might have, including speaking engagements for the various library associations. Let us hear about your travels and experiences, many times comical, which I would be pleased to print. Please send it along to me at my e-mail address <jaeger@ajaeger.com> or to my mailing address at **Alfred Jaeger, Inc.**, 66 Austin Blvd., Commack, NY 11725. 🐼

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Got an email from the-last-time-I-saw-him-he-was-learning-Dutch **Albert Prior** <OSCO@compuserve.com> telling me that he and **David Brown** have recently acquired the title *Scholarly Communications Report* from the dapper **Duncan Spence**.

**Mary Page** <mepage@rci.rutgers.edu> (Head, Acquisitions Department, Rutgers University Libraries) says she just got around to reading the Dec-Jan issue of *ATG* and is \*thrilled\* to learn that the **Charleston Con-**

**ference** will again take place in November in 2003. Every year, Mary says, she looks forward to the conference, of course, but her favorite pleasure is her annual trek to the **Bob Ellis** shoe store, where there is usually a fabulous shoe SALE!! What can I say? Y'all who come to Charleston know more about the place than those of us who just live here. In fact, **John Riley** <jdriley@mediaone.net> (that's a new email address so update your records!) and **Don Jaeger** <jaeger@ajaeger.com> were going to try to update the Conference Website (in their spare time) with little tidbits from the visitors to

Charleston. I'm looking forward to it!

And, speaking again of the awesome **John Riley** (above) he tells me that **Eastern Book** has moved to a bigger and better location. **Eastern Book Company**; 55 Bradley Dr.; Westbrook, ME. 04092. All phone, fax, email and Web info stays the same. He is also working on two articles, one by **Neil Jaffe** about **Print on Demand**. John himself is also working on an "On the Road" column about coffee shops and cafes in academic libraries. Excuse me, that reminds me, it's time for coffee. **Yr. Ed.** 🐼

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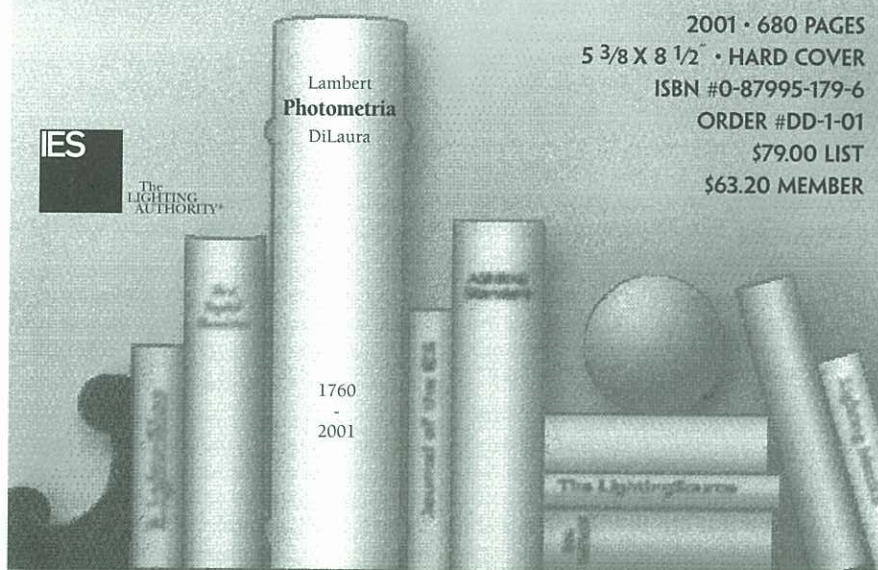
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